

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SECTION 904 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS NO. 151

CODE: (IS)

DATE: 06/18/2004

SUBJECT: Gopher Tortoises

Bidders are hereby advised that the Contractor will be required to make special considerations regarding gopher tortoises on this project. In addition to the normal required documentation associated with borrow pits, the Contractor shall, for each site used to obtain or dispose of materials associated with this project, provide the Engineer with a letter from a qualified biologist certifying that the site was inspected prior to any clearing of vegetation or disposal of project materials and that the site is not inhabited by gopher tortoises, or appropriate avoidance measures have been installed. No individual lacking the proper State or Federal license shall touch or otherwise harass a gopher tortoise.